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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

of the

American Political Science Association

The ninth annual meeting of the Association was held at Boston and Cambridge, Massachusetts, December 27-31, 1912. The address of Prof. Albert Bushnell Hart, president of the Association, was entitled "A Government of Men," and appears in the *American Political Science Review* for February, 1913. The other papers read are published in volume IX of the *Proceedings*, which is issued as a *Supplement* to the *Review*.

The annual business meeting of the Association was held December 31, at which the following business was transacted.

The secretary reported a present membership of the Association of seventeen hundred.

The treasurer reported that the receipts for the current year had exceeded the expenditures by approximately \$400, and that this had permitted the payment in full of an outstanding debt of the Association of this amount.

It was voted that the tenth annual meeting of the Association be held at Washington, D. C., beginning December 30, 1913; and that the eleventh annual meeting be held in Chicago, Illinois.

The last sentence of paragraph one of Article III of the Constitution of the Association was amended so as to read: "By a single payment of fifty dollars, or by five payments of ten dollars each made in successive years, any person may become a life member exempt from annual dues."

The following officers for the year 1913 were elected: President, Westel W. Willoughby; First Vice-President, Adam Shortt; Second Vice-President, F. A. Cleveland; Third Vice-President, C. E. Merriam; Secretary and Treasurer, W. F. Dodd. As members of the Executive Council to serve until December 31, 1915, the following were elected: J. I. Wyer, Jr., R. H. Whitten, J. W. Garner, C. A. Dunnaway, J. A. C. Chandler.

Prof. Ernst Freund and Judge Emlin McClain were elected members of the board of editors of the *Review*, vice Professors W. F. Dodd and Eugene Wambaugh resigned. Prof. W. W. Willoughby was continued as managing editor.

Upon the motion of Prof. McIlwain it was voted that the Association express its protest against continuing the duty upon books, other than fiction, imported into this country, and the president of the Association was instructed to present this protest, orally or in writing, before the proper committee of congress.

Mr. H. G. Wadlin was present, upon invitation, as a representative of the American Library Association. No formal action was taken by the Association with reference to its coöperation with the Library Association, but it was pointed out that the presence of Mr. Wyer upon its executive council is expected to lead to such coöperation as is possible.

The secretary reported to the Association the following minutes of of business transacted by the executive council and board of editors of the *Review* meeting, as usual, jointly.

At the meeting held at the University Club, Chicago, Illinois, November 16, 1912, the following were present: A. B. Hart, Adam Shortt, Ernst Freund, J. H. Latané, C. E. Merriam, J. A. Fairlie, Charles McCarthy, Isidor Loeb, C. H. McIlwain, T. H. Moran, J. Q. Dealey, Herbert Croly, W. F. Dodd, W. B. Munro, Jesse Reeves, P. S. Reinsch, B. F. Shambaugh, W. W. Willoughby.

The secretary-treasurer reported a total membership of the Association of approximately 1700, and that there would probably be at the end of the year a surplus of receipts above all expenditures sufficient to liquidate the present indebtedness of the Association, which amounts to four hundred dollars.

The president was authorized to appoint a committee to audit the accounts of the treasurer and report upon the same at the annual meeting of the Association in December in Boston.

The managing editor of the *Review* reported a proposal of the Waverly Press of Baltimore, Maryland, to do the printing of the *Review* at substantially the same cost as at present paid to the Rumford Press, and in connection therewith to give to the *Review* the advantage of an advertising department maintained by the Waverly Press. The managing editor was given authority to enter into this proposed contract with the Waverly Press.

The question of using a somewhat lighter weight paper but of equal bulk with that now used in the *Review* was discussed, and the managing

editor authorized to make the change, should he deem it desirable. The general policy of the *Review*, and the value of its various departments were discussed. It was voted that the existing departments be continued and that in addition thereto provision be made, if possible, for current abstracts of important decisions of state courts relating to matters of public law.

The advisability of increasing the annual dues of the Association was discussed. It was voted that the matter be laid upon the table.

Prof. Munro reported with reference to the program of proceedings and local arrangements for the Boston meeting of the Association. The action was taken by the program and local arrangements committees was approved.

The committee on appointments reported that it had not completed the appointments of all the members of the committees authorized by the council at the December, 1911, meeting. It was continued, and directed to report further at the next meeting of the council.

Dr. Dodd, chairman of the general committee, reported that the organization of the committee had not been completed, but that some twenty members had been appointed. Thus far the committee had served only as an aid in securing material for the Department of News and Notes edited by Dr. Dodd for the *Review*. It was expected, however, Dr. Dodd reported, that the committee, when more fully organized, would be of great value to the Association in a number of ways, and especially in the matter of increasing the membership of the Association.

It was voted that a committee of five be appointed to consider the possible participation of the Association in the proposed social economy exhibit at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition in 1915 at San Francisco, California.

The possible coöperation of the Association with the American Library Association for the advancement of their common interest, and especially as outlined in the letter of April 27, 1912, of the secretary of the Library Association, was discussed, and it was voted that a representative of the Library Association be invited to attend the December meeting of the council for further discussion and determination of the matter.

It was voted that the secretary express to the State Library of New York the appreciation of the council of the great value of the *Index of State Statutes* and other publications previously issued by the Library, and to express the hope that it may be possible to resume their publication at an early date.

The question as to the feasibility and desirability of closer relations between American colleges and universities to practical administrative problems was discussed, and Dr. McCarthy requested to draw up a plan for bringing this about and to send the same to members of the council and of the board of editors of the *Review*.

It was voted that, in the future, all ex-presidents of the Association, not members of the council or of the board of editors, be invited to attend all council meetings; and that the names of all ex-presidents appear in the published lists of officers.

The managing editor of the *Review* was instructed to prepare and report at the next meeting of the council a by-law regulating the mode of appointment and terms of office of the members of the board of editors of the *Review* and of the managing editor.

The president was directed to appoint a committee of five to make nominations for officers of the Association for the year 1913. The following were, therefore, appointed: J. A. Fairlie (chairman), Herbert Croly, Clyde L. King, W. J. Shepard, W. F. Willoughby.

The place of the annual meeting of the Association for 1913 was informally discussed.

At the meeting held December 28, 1912, in the Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts, the following were present: Isidor Loeb, Adam Shortt, W. F. Dodd, Stephen Leacock, A. B. Hart, H. Croly, J. Q. Dealey, Eugene Wambaugh, B. F. Shambaugh, Jesse Reeves, W. B. Munro, Ernst Freund, J. A. Fairlie, Charles McCarthy, C. M. McIlwain, and W. W. Willoughby.

The chairman appointed Professors Loeb and Dodd, to audit the accounts of the treasurer. The sum of \$300, or so much of that amount as may be found necessary, was appropriated for clerical assistance to the secretary-treasurer. An appropriation of \$250 was made for clerical assistance to the managing editor of the *Review*. The sum of \$25 was appropriated for postage and other necessary expenses of the committee on political instruction in American schools and colleges.

It was voted that the fall meeting of the council be held on Saturday, November 15, 1913, in Chicago, Illinois.

The committees on city and county governments, on state governments, and the general committee reported progress and were continued for the year 1913. The chairman of the committee on state constitutions asked that a session of the next annual meeting of the Association be allotted to his committee, which was granted. A standing committee of three upon methods of legislation was created.

Upon motion of Dr. McCarthy the following resolution was adopted with reference to laboratory work in political science. Resolved: That a committee of five be appointed; (1) to examine and make a list of places where laboratory work for graduate students in political science can be done; (2) to recommend to the various college and university faculties that due graduate credit be given to such places; (3) to use its best endeavors to obtain scholarships for this laboratory work, and to secure an endowment for the building up of a trained body of public servants; and (4) to make, if possible, a system of card records of efficiency standards for graduates doing practical laboratory work in political science. The sum of \$25 was appropriated for the necessary expenses of this committee.

A written suggestion from Dr. L. S. Rowe, regarding the Second Pan-American Scientific Congress to be held in Washington, D. C., in October, 1914, was read, and the following resolution relating thereto was adopted: That the congress of the United States be earnestly requested to make a suitable provision for the holding of the congress at the time designated, and that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the chairman of the committee on foreign affairs of the United States house of representatives, and the chairman of the committee on foreign relations of the United States senate.

The committee on appointments announced the following committee appointments:

Committee on teaching and study of government: Charles G. Haines (chairman), J. B. Davis, Edgar Dawson, Miss Mabel Hill, F. E. Horack, F. C. Jacoby, J. A. James.

Committee on city and county governments: J. A. Fairlie (chairman), F. D. Bramhall, O. C. Hormell.

Committee on state governments: H. J. Ford (chairman), J. Q. Dealey, A. N. Holcombe, G. W. Knight, F. V. Holman.

Committee on laboratory methods in political instruction: Charles McCarthy (chairman), B. F. Shambaugh, W. F. Willoughby, A. B. Hart, R. G. Gettell.

Committee on legislative methods: Ernst Freund (chairman), F. A. Updyke, J. A. Lapp.

Committee on appointments: Secretary of the Association (chairman, ex officio), W. B. Munro, F. J. Goodnow.

A by-law was adopted providing for the annual appointment by the council of the managing editor and members of the board of editors of the *Review*.